

	<b><u>Reader</u></b>	<b><u>Readings</u></b>
Sun 3 Feb	Liz Johnson	Jeremiah 1:4-10, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 ( <i>Luke 4:21-30</i> )
Sun 10 Feb	Alan Waddell	Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4.2 ( <i>Luke 9, 28-36 (37-43)</i> )
Sun 17 Feb	Margaret Gray	Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Romans 10:8b-13 ( <i>Luke 4:1-13</i> )
Sun 24 Feb	Liz Johnson	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18, Philippians 3:17— 4:1a ( <i>Luke 13:31-35</i> )
Sun 3 Mar	Alan Waddell	Isaiah 55:9; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, ( <i>Luke 13:1-9</i> )

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### **TEMPTATION**

An American elder once described his own inner struggles in this manner.  
 "Inside of me there are two dogs.  
 One of the dogs is mean and evil.  
 The other dog is good.  
 The mean dog fights the good dog all the time."  
 When asked which dog wins, he reflected for a moment and replied:  
 "The one I feed the most".

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### **Notes from St Margaret's**

I am writing on a cold January morning, longing for the sight of the first snowdrops, knowing that spring will not be long afterwards. Our February Church calendar has a similar theme, Shrove Tuesday, February 12 with all those lovely pancakes and then Ash Wednesday on 13 February. It marks the beginning of Lent and the time of strengthening of our faith for the coming joyous news of Easter. Lent is a time, when we reflect on Jesus' temptations before he departed for Jerusalem.

Historically for us, it used to be a time of scarcity when there was not a lot of fresh meat or vegetables around. Today, we now look to luxury items to give up. I recall as a child, I gave up sweets for Lent and put all my pocket money in a small cardboard box and at Easter took it to my church. So perhaps, we could give up chocolate biscuits or that odd glass of wine. Maybe we could do something different this Lent, a phone call or letter to a distant friend or relative or simply calling on someone you know who is anxious, ill or lonely. The choice is yours.

Best wishes

Margaret Gray



### **News from the Vestry**

Bishop David had a meeting with the Vestry on Wednesday 23 January and discussed various possible ways in which we could establish stable clergy ministry for St Margarets. This will be a challenge, given the lack of available clergy in the Diocese but the Bishop welcomed the positive attitude of St Margarets and will continue to look for a person who could come and provide added help, leadership and support for the congregations in its journey forwards.

The Vestry would like to discuss this further with the whole congregation in the near future.

### **February Events**

Sat 16 Feb 10.00 - 11.30am Coffee Morning in the Dickson Hall

### **February Services Diary**

Sun 3 Feb 10.30am	Candlemass Fourth Sunday after Epiphany. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 10 Feb 10.30am	Sunday before Lent. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 13 Feb	Ash Wednesday - details to be announced
Sun 17 Feb 10.30am	First Sunday of Lent. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 24 Feb 10.30am	Second Sunday of Lent. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 3 Mar 10.30am	Third Sunday of Lent. Family Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall

### **February Rotas**

	<b><u>Reception</u></b>	<b><u>Offering</u></b>
Sun 3 Feb	Margaret Redpath	Janette Turvey
Sun 10 Feb	Christine Barker	Liz Johnson
Sun 17 Feb	Janette Turvey	Margaret Redpath
Sun 24 Feb	Margaret Redpath	Janette Turvey
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